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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO ADVISORY OFFICE ACTION ACCOMPANYING A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Honorable Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir/Madam:

This Amendment and Response is in response to the *Advisory* Office Action, dated February 15, 2005, accompanying a Request for Continued Examination, under 37 CFR § 1.114, in the above-referenced patent application. Please enter and consider the following amendments and remarks.